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MAJOR PROGRAMME IV. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION FOR DEVELOPMENT

Programme 24. Statistics

1. The preparation, format and content of the medium-term plan and its revisions are governed by the Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation.

2. Regulation 3.11 provides, inter alia, that the medium-term plan shall be revised as necessary every two years to incorporate required programme changes and that the proposed revisions shall be as detailed as required to incorporate the programme implications of the resolutions and decisions adopted by the intergovernmental organs or international conferences since the adoption of the plan.

3. The revisions proposed below modify the relevant parts of the narrative of programme 24, Statistics, of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997, which was adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 45/253 of 21 December 1990 and subsequently revised by the Assembly in its resolution 47/214 of 23 December 1992 and issued in document A/47/6/Rev.1 and Corr.1.

4. The following text modifies paragraphs 24.5. and 24.7 of A/47/6/Rev.1 and Corr.1.

A. Programme

Replace references to the "Statistical Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs" throughout the narrative of the programme with references to the "Statistical Division of the Department for Economic and Social Information and Policy Analysis".

Paragraph 24.7

In the first sentence, delete ", whose implementation, with the exception of subprogramme 5 (see para. 24.8), is the responsibility of the Statistical Division,".

After paragraph 24.7, insert a new paragraph 24.8 as follows and renumber the subsequent paragraphs accordingly:

"24.8 The Department for Economic and Social Information and Policy Analysis has launched the development of a United Nations Economic and Social Information System that is aimed at addressing, inter alia, these problems of content, availability and timeliness by improving the way economic and related social data are collected, processed, stored, analysed and disseminated. This project is being carried out in collaboration with the regional commissions and is expected to enhance the effectiveness of the United Nations economic and social sector as a whole."